



## Briefing Notification to County Manager

Prepared by the Maricopa County Air Quality Department

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<b>Case #/Title:</b>	AQ-2013-006-Definition Of "Non-Precursor Organic Compound"
<b>Supervisor Districts:</b>	All Districts
<b>Overview:</b>	<p>The definition of "non-precursor organic compound" and the definition of "volatile organic compound (VOC)" are proposed to be revised in 21 Maricopa County Air Pollution Control Regulations in order to incorporate the most current U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) definitions of each. The department is further proposing to list the EPA-recognized non-precursor organic compounds in Appendix G (Incorporated Materials).</p> <p>Non-precursor organic compounds are compounds that the EPA has determined make a negligible contribution to the formation of ground level ozone. A consistent and current list of non-precursor compounds will benefit the department, sources and citizens of Maricopa County. It is to the department's advantage to regularly update this list to provide sources alternatives to ozone creating VOCs as well as provide consistent application of the non-precursor compounds to all sources. It is to the source's advantage to utilize the non-precursor compounds to reduce VOC emissions and the associated recordkeeping requirements. Citizens will benefit due to the reduction of ozone in our air.</p> <p>Although this rulemaking affects many rules and essentially any source that uses non-precursor organic compounds and VOCs, the rulemaking should be non-controversial.</p>
<b>Next Steps:</b>	<p>Tentative County stakeholder workshop/public workshop – February 7, 2013.</p> <p>Tentative Board of Health public meeting to initiate regulatory change – April 22, 2013.</p>

Rulemaking will follow Enhanced Regulatory Outreach policy and workflow process.